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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [X] This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371
- 2. [ ] This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. [X] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- 4. [X] The US has been elected (Article 31).
- 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. [ ] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. [X] has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. [ ] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- 6. [ ] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. [ ] is attached hereto.
  - o. i has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 7. [ ] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. [ ] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. | have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. [ ] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. [ ] have not been made and will not be made.
- 8. [ ] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9. [ ] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- 10. [ ] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## ITEMS 11. TO 20. below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. [ ] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [X] A preliminary amendment.
- 14. [X] An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
- 15. [ ] A substitute specification.
- 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. [ ] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13*ter*.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825
- 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 19. [ ] A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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